

Comments on the Township Manager and the Part-Time Issue

Citizens Voice Opinions at Township Board Meeting

BY MARGARET O'KELLEY

At the special Township Board meeting held on October 8th, several citizens addressed the Board on the two topics listed on the agenda. This meeting was held prior to the regular Board meeting scheduled for later that day. The agenda was supposed to have been limited to the part-time/full-time issue, but the township manager's position was added and posted as a topic.

As it turned out, very little discussion was made by Board members on the manager's position but it did give the citizens an opportunity to address the Board on the subject.

Long time resident and former Township Clerk Vicki Lyons asked who is determining the position of the Township manager — the Board or the police chief? She asked the question does a township employee decide? She continued by asking do you want a person who will commit his time and energy to "showcase" the Township or gain power for themselves?

She criticized several of the chief's decisions and questioned his full-time duties in light of his proposal to split his police duties with the manager's duties.

She referred to the part-time issue by charging that several Board members were territorial with their position. She said

their statutory duties and other duties could be delegated to office staff. She said the office staff has doubled under fulltime officials.

John McKinney, a former Township Trustee and local attorney, said the Board needed to "shift gears" on how the Township is run. He said all of the Board must be willing to work with the new manager. He said it was not derogatory to say you need help. He said it would be a mistake to decide who you want to be manager before deciding what you want the manager to do. Referring to the police chief, he said it would be a mistake to hire a part-time manager. He continued that the township needed a full-time police chief and if he wanted the position of manager then he should step down as police chief.

He said he couldn't see either the police chief's job or the manager's job as being part time. He urged the Board to seek professional help in the manager's search. He said there should be plenty of candidates that would be willing to work in the Township because of Township's great potential. He suggested they could hire a good manager for around \$50,000.

He concluded his remarks by asking the Board to avoid "back room politics." He said the police chief does not deserve that type of reputation.

Long time resident, Betty Davis, was brief and to the point. She said she wanted a full-time manager and a fulltime police chief. She said she desired that a lot of people apply.

Resident Mary Collins spoke to the Board and admitted she was a new resident living in the community. She admitted she has a lot to learn but pledged to learn all that she could about the issues. Regarding the township manager she said she had not

heard a lot about the issue until recently.

She said she had just secured the job description of the clerk, treasurer and supervisor, and she described the four trustees as full time. She asked the question, how come we have all full-time people and can't run the township?

She went on to say she saw the manager's position as taking some of the supervisor's duties. She also asked who does the manager answer to?

Jerry Reynolds. a resident and past member of the manager study committee, attempted to argue the part-time issue could be resolved over several years or several elections. He suggested they could have elections during a two-year period and he appeared to confuse several people on the Board and in the audience.

He did say a good manager could pay for himself and suggested grants was one way to do this.

Royal Lily, a resident and also a member of the manager's committee, said their study took 2-3 months to complete. He was particularly expressive over the comments from the manager from Plainfield Township who said there was a warning sign that should be heeded. That warning sign was that the supervisor, clerk and treasurer need to let go of some of their powers and statutory duties. If they are unwilling to do this then "stop don't go any further."

He concluded his remarks by stating there are too many chiefs and not enough Indians. He advocated a statewide search.

Yvonne Schoedel, a resident, a local business person and President of C3, reminded the citizens that it was C3 that held the symposium that led to this discussion. She said each new full-time Board member had to learn their job and used a new supervisor as an example. She

said a Township manager allows for some continuity whether the positions were full time or part time. She also mentioned grants and wondered if the manager could secure them where others have promised to secure but failed.

Dan Kirtland, a local resident and the current Director of Planning and Zoning told the audience that he worked in the Township Hall. He said he saw the three officers doing their job and suggested they should remain full time. He said if they decided to go part time they would have to consider what additional staff they would need. He warned "be careful before you leap."

During the second round of public participation that happens toward the end of the meeting, several citizens spoke on the subject before the Board.

Police Chief Robert Metzger, who is also a resident of the community, said his intent was to create dialogue. Based on the amount of discussion on the subject, he claimed to have succeeded. He said that Trustee Krause approached him on the matter and he looked at his proposal as "paving the way." He felt they could give it a try and help the Township along the way. He said he brought 30 years of experience and he only had a desire to help. He said he did not intend to "slide myself into this." He expressed possible money concerns and that he had offered himself as an alternative.

Barb Bidwell reminded the

audience the subject of professional management had been around a long time. She briefly went through all the things that were done and said the only thing that was not done was the hiring. She said there wasn't a need to start "square one."

Ron Esch, who serves on the drain committee spoke briefly and said the issue of part time needed to be analyzed and required further study.

Jack Bush said he wasn't sure a Township manager was needed. However, he said the Board needed to work together if they hired a manager.

Tom Sturgill was very blunt in his remarks. He said he couldn't imagine taking the three offices and making them part-time. He said they did not have their facts, costs, or studies to make the decision. He said it was the silliest idea of part-time officials directing full-time employees.

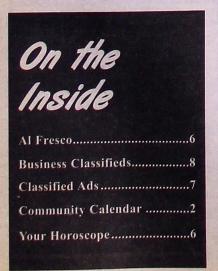
EDITOR'S NOTE: The school districts operate this way as well as the vast majority of Township boards.

Dustin Barron said the Board needed to think in terms of "we" instead of "I." He said if the Board did not "click" then they shouldn't think of bringing in another person. He concluded his remarks by urging the Board to listen to their commissions and their recommendations.

The Board will consider the issue of part time at their October 22nd meeting. This subject will be reported on in our next issue.

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Monthly Meetings

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Monroe County Mothers of Multiples, P.O. Box 207, Carleton, MI, holds a Multiple Birth Support Group offering education, assistance and encouragement on the third Monday of each month at Mercy Memorial Hospital. For more information call Lisa Lothringer at (734) 654-9263.

Waltz Improvement Association meets the fourth Sunday of each month at 7 p.m. on park grounds in

Waltz. New members are welcome.

Concerned Citizens Coalition (C3) meetings on first Thurs. of each month at the American Legion Hall at 7:30 p.m. Call 753-4838 for info.

M.O.P.S. (Mothers of Pre-Schoolers) meets second and fourth Tues. of each month at St. John's Lutheran Church in Waltz from 9-11 a.m. Child care available. Come for rest, support, crafts, and affirmation for mothers of infants through kindergartenage children. Call 734-753-0825.

The Recreation Committee meets the first Tues. of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the

Huron Township Hall.

Huron Athletic Boosters will meet on May 1, 6 p.m. Meetings are held at Huron High School, Room 134. Call 654-3781 for info.

American Legion Post 337 meets 2nd and 4th Monday 8:00 p.m., 28614 Division St., Flat Rock.

Southwestern Wayne Democratic Club meets 7:00 p.m. at Casino's Pizza (fomerly the Tin Pan) on Sumpter Rd.

Board of Trustees meet second and fourth Wed. of each month at 7:00 at the Country Meadows.

The Planning Commission meets the second Mon. of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Country Meadows.

Zoning Board of Appeals meets the first Mon. of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Country Meadows.

Historical Society meets the third Thurs. of each month at

6:30 p.m. at Historical House.

Historical Comm. meets the second Thurs. of each month at the Samuel Adams House at 6:30 p.m.

Huron Township Historical will host an Open House at the Samuel Adams Historical Museum (Downtown New Boston) the 4th Sunday of each month from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Public is welcome.

The Recycling Committee meets the first Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Huron Township Hall.

Telecommunications Committee meets the last Mon. of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Twp. Hall. For information call 734-782-9784.

The VFW Post 6040 meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wed. of each month at the American Legion Hall in New Boston.

Flat Rock Rotary meets every Wednesday at 12:00

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Soroptomists International of Flat Rock meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Fiorelli's in Flat Rock

Sons of the Desert

Sons of the Desert (Detroit area Laurel and Hardy Fan Club). They have been showing Laurel and Hardy movies for over 65 years. The meetings are scheduled for March 20, May 15, September 18 and November 20 and are held at Mama Mia's Restaurant, 27770 Plymouth, Livonia, MI. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. and show time is at 8:00 p.m. Join them for an evening of laughs and entertainment..

Senior Citizens

Huron Township Senior Citizens are now meeting at the newly renovated Emil A. Krzyske Senior Center on Mineral Springs in Waltz.

Meetings are first Tuesday of each month at noon. Helen Mates will be serving as President of the united groups.

The Senior Citizens van is available for doctor visits, shopping, etc. Please call Senior Director Pam at 654-9281. Check with the Senior Director for Trips scheduled one day to a week. Senior Director's hours Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Congregate Meals or Meals on Wheels provides a hot meal every day at 11:30 a.m. at the Center.

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Quilting Tuesdays at 9 a.m.

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Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30 PM
Flu Shots (Conf. Rm. "A")	9 AM - Noon
Flat Rock Towers	1PM-3PM
City Council Meeting	7:30 PM
	7:00 PM
Historic Preservation Commission	6:00 PM
Beautification Commission	6:00 PM
	7:30 PM
TIFA Meeting	7:30 PM
Cable Commission	7:30 PM
EMBER:	
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TIFA Meeting	7:30 PM
Thanksgiving (City Offices Closed)	Holiday
Cable Commission	7:30 PM
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2003

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The Flat Rock Animal Shelter hosted a celebrity autograph auction on Sunday, October 12, 2003 at the Flat Rock Elks. A total of \$1,722.00 was raised to assist in the planned building of a new shelter. Animal control officer Deborah Daugherty was very pleased with the outcome. The one thing that would have made it better would have been a larger attendance. There were approximately 30 people present to bid on many pictures and other items donated by celebrities from the sports and entertainment fields. Bids ranged from \$1.00 to \$151.00 for the signed pictures and other memorabilia.

Kay Lani Rafko-Wilson, former Miss America from Monroe, was the guest auctioneer. This was her first time as auctioneer, but she did a wonderful job and was very entertaining. The facility and the pop were donated by the Elks and the Flat Rock community recreation department donated the popcorn. The celebrity items were all donated by the celebrities, except for one book by Ernie Harwell, which Daugherty purchased and sent to Mr. Harwell for his autograph.

Items auctioned off included pictures of celebrities such as Chubby Checker, Ernest Borgnine, Betty White, Martin Sheen, Peter Falk, Alan Trammel, Tiger Woods, Arnold Palmer, and many more. The signed poster of Tiger Woods went for \$151.00, the highest price paid. Other items included two David Letterman tshirts, an Elizabeth Taylor tshirt and bag, a Robin Williams t-shirt, a Vanna White gift basket with items related to Wheel of Fortune, a signed script from TV's West Wing, a script from Law and Order Special Victim's Unit, and a hat and jacket from Dann Florek, a star of Law and Order and a Flat Rock native. Two celebrities, Tim Conway and Dom Delouise, also included sketches they drew with their pictures. Gordie Howe sent a hockey magazine and a signed Red Wings ticket. The Green Bay Packers sent a football signed by all of the 2002 players.

Officer Daugherty said she was pleased that everything that was donated had been sold. Regarding the animal shelter she said, "We are close to having \$10,000.00. We still have quite a ways to go, but every little bit helps."

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Software Filters to Be Tested at Libraries

The Monroe County Library System Filtering Task Force will be testing three different technology protection measure software products on computers at three branch libraries in the system during the week of October 20.

CyberPatrol will be loaded on Internet accessible computers at the Erie Branch, Cyber-Sitter will be loaded on computers at the Bedford Branch and EZFilter will be loaded at the Dorsch Memorial Branch.

Following the June 2003 United States Supreme Court decision regarding the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), the library board requested that a task force be created to study the impact the law would have on MCLS and its patrons. Under CIPA, libraries will need to install blocking or filtering software on all computers that access the Internet in order to receive discounts on the data lines that connect them to the Internet. Not only will the task force conduct the trial to determine how filters would affect patrons' access to the information they require, but they will also prepare a cost/benefit analysis weighing the discounts received against the costs of installing the software. The library system currently receives less than \$10,000 in discounts on this service under the e-rate or universal program.

CIPA was introduced at the federal level by the legislature in an attempt to prevent minors from accessing on the Internet material thought to be inappropriate. The State of Michigan has already taken steps to ensure Internet safety by enacting Public Act 212 and the library system is in compliance with this law. The library board has adopted and enforces an Acceptable Use Policy and has in place policies and procedures that prevent minors from viewing inappropriate images library computers.

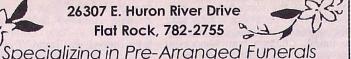
The e-rate program also allows for discounts on telecommunications (phone lines and long distance) and MCLS has received over \$125,000 in discounts under that arm of the program. The program also allows the library system to apply for discounts on phone services paid for by units of governments for branch library phones, resulting in additional discounts.

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FALL CLASS SCHEDULE		
CLASS	DATE	
Beginning Hath Yoga	a 10/16 - 12/11	
Gentle Yoga	10/16 - 12/11	
Circuit Class	10/15 - 12/10	
Pilates	10/15 - 12/10	
Senior Fit	10/16 - 12/11	
Firm and Tone	10/13 - 11/17	
Fall Make Over	10/27	
Holiday Styles	11/17	
Infant Massage 1	0/27, 29, 30, 31	
Parent - Tot	10/15 - 11/19	
Kiddie Tumble	10/13 - 11/17	
Music for Tots	10/28 - 11/18	
Scrapbooking 1	0/21 and 10/28	
Creative Die Cuts	11/20	
Dry Embossing	12/16	
Food Arranging	12/2 - 12/17	
Basic Dog Obedience 10/21 - 11/25		
Personal Finances	10/15 - 11/12	

	WINTER CLAS	S SCHEDULE
E	CLASS	DATE
11	Little Ninja Karate	1/17 - 3/8, 3/22 - 5/17
11	Kid's Power Karate	1/17 - 3/8, 3/22 - 5/17
0	Beginning Hath Yoga	a 1/8 - 2/26, 3/4 - 4/29
0	Gentle Yoga	1/8 - 2/26, 3/4 - 4/29
11	Circuit Class	1/7 - 2/25, 3/3 - 4/28
17	Pilates	1/7 - 2/25, 3/3 - 4/28
27	Senior Fit	1/8 - 2/26, 3/4 - 4/29
17	Firm and Tone	1/12 - 2/16, 3/15 - 4/26
31	Drop-In Volleyball	1/13 - 2/17, 3/18 - 4/29
19	Drop-In Basketball	1/13 - 2/17, 3/18 - 4/29
17	Infant Massage	tba
18	Parent - Tot	1/13 - 2/17, 3/15 - 4/26
28	Kiddie Tumble	1/12 - 2/16, 3/15 - 4/26
20	Music for Tots	3/16 - 4/6
16	Scrapbooking	tba
17	Stained Glass Class	es tba
25	Dog Obedience	1/13 - 2/17, 3/9 - 4/20
12	Hunter Safety	Spring
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November 1, 2003

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LAMPSHADES: Fabric covered and stitched - wash these shades in the bathtub. Use cool water, and roll the shade on its side. Add some mild soap, swirl the shade in the water/soap mixture gently, rinse the shade using the same method. Shake the shade gently to remove excess water and allow to dry in an upright position.

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Plastic shades: Wash these in warm water and mild soap. Dry well and then restore the shine with spray furniture polish.

If you want your shade to match the color of the room, try and sponge paint the shade with the same color paint you used on your walls. The best way I've found is to use 1 part water mixed with 3 parts paint. Remember you don't need lot of paint for this.

For entertainment purposes only.

Scorpio Oct 24 - Nov 22

Time to rule the roost but calendar changes in 30 days. Ancient secrets become reality as you look toward the future. Children plan hauntings with you in minds. Be prepared to scream with delight.

Sagittarius Nov 23 - Dec 21

Heart-felt message sent from forgotten friends. Should some remain forgotten? Rake leaves with caution. Skunk may be near or planning an attack on your property. Watch children play.

Capricorn Dec 22 - Jan 20

Last chance to beat the twirling record. Are you up to the task? Time spent away from work adds up to lost wages and sour spouse. Red truck seen in unusual places. Ask for name before allowing inside. 5488

Aguarius Jan 21 - Feb 19

Take time to spell out meaning carefully. Old friend walks slowly by your side. One you trust remains best chance to prove your point. Keep money is safe place and out of

Pisces Feb 20 - Mar 20

Take Aquarius to store? Shopping may cost you more than you are willing to pay. Last seen in line shows you are not too pushy or just a pushover. Children worn out. Demand rest time for all.

Aries Mar 21 - April 20

Your Cosmic Look For The Week Of October 17 - October 23

Vacant sign in heart fills soon but caution required before giving it away. Look in dark corners for one who means you harm. Travel north over once blue bridge but remember south is always best.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

Smiles bring favors and unwanted requests. Rarely seen movie reminds you of past yet you refuse to admit misgivings. Friends keepyou in mind when helping friends. Don't be fooled by imposters.

Gemini May 22 - June 21

Don't settle for second best when you know who is first. Maybe time to turn over baton to one more deserving? Show talent at local business. Truth is more than you can handle but don't hide.

Cancer June 22 - July 23

Singing in the rain is not wise if can sing better in the shower. Friends laugh loudly at your expense but keep that smile going. Look for one your love to arrive home soon. Lost money remains lost.

Leo July 24 - Aug 23

Cookies done. Pies not. Slow progress toward finish of another yar. Siblings on your mind lately? Sigh for what has been put aside. Children spend your money too fast. Put brakes on that?



William Grover

Never more, never again. Didn't you say that the other 3 times? Not all see things in same light you wish. Keep friends at same distance as foes. Lose the attitude and do what must be done.

Libra Sept 24 - Oct 23

Seek shelter from foreign issues but take someone you love with you. Call for meeting of the minds at local hangout. Find parents in unusual position but just grin. Keep pace with

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Dinner Bell at 7:30 P.M.

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Southwest Bean Soup

1 15oz. can Great Northern

3 cups Chicken Broth

I clove Garlic (chopped fine)

I cup Celery (coarsely chopped)

For a real treat add a tbs. of sour cream or some shredded

Recommended preparation

Southwest Bean Soup

1 15oz. can Black Beans (drained)

Beans (drained)

1 Bay Leaf

1 med. Onion (coarsely chopped) 1/4 cup Tequila (optional)

Simmer all ingredients for 2 hours on stove or in crock pot on low 6-8 hours. When the soup is cooked, mash it with a potato masher or "remove half of the vegetables and set aside, mix the rest of the ingredients in a blender and put all of the ingredients back into the pot, stir and heat if necessary.

cheddar cheese to each bowl.

1/2 cup Carrot (coarsely chopped)

2-3 tsp. Chili Powder

11/2 tsp. Cumin

1/4 tsp. Red Pepper flakes

1 tbs. Jalapeno (finely chopped)

1/2 tsp. Salt

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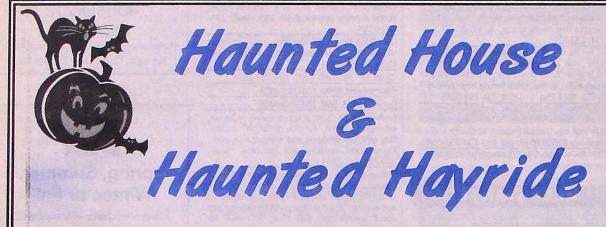
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